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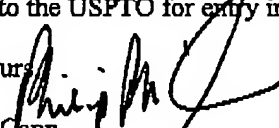
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Dear Examiner Bernshteyn:

I understand that you have reviewed the fact that a response to the 4/13/06 Office Action was filed on 7/12/06 and was not entered into the file with your supervisor, David Wu. Per your instructions during our telephone call today, the response mailed 7/12/06 and a copy of the post card stamped 7/17/06 is being faxed to the USPTO for entry into the application having serial # 10/517,572.

Sincerely yours,

  
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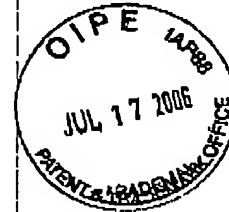
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Filed: December 9, 2004

Title: Process For The Preparation Of Iron Ion Containing  
Water-Absorbent Polymers With Low Residual Monomer  
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## IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

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Applicant (s) : Josef H. Burgert  
Filed : December 9, 2004  
TC/A.U. : 1713  
Examiner : Michael Bernshteyn  
Title : PROCESS FOR THE PREPARATION OF IRON ION  
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RESPONSE A

Responsive to the Official Action dated April 13, 2006, please  
reconsider the application in view of the following.

**Amendments to the Specification** begin on page 2 of this paper.

**Amendments to the Claims** are reflected in the listing of claims which begins  
on page 3 of this paper.

**Remarks/Arguments** begin on page 9 of this paper.